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# Cullen and Dykman LLP Expands Higher Education Practice Group with Addition of Nicole A. Donatich

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Uniondale, NY – Cullen and Dykman LLP, a leading law firm serving clients for more than 170 years, is pleased to announce the addition of **Nicole A. Donatich** to its **Higher Education practice group**. She brings to the firm a wealth of experience in the intricate realm of higher education law and a robust background in litigation, investigative prowess, and policy development.

During her career, Nicole has held pivotal roles at prestigious institutions such as The City University of New York and Columbia University, where her legal acumen and guidance proved instrumental in successfully navigating complex challenges. Notably, she has developed specific expertise in Title IX compliance, New York State's Enough is Enough Law, and the Clery Act. Her background as a former prosecutor adds a unique dimension to her investigative and litigation experience.

Nicole possesses extensive experience representing universities and colleges in a wide array of legal matters, including those arising under federal, state, and city non-discrimination laws, as well as arbitrations of grievances and disciplinary cases governed by labor contracts. She also regularly advises higher education institutions on a broad spectrum of employee and student-related concerns, encompassing labor and employment issues, collective bargaining agreements, student and employee discipline, government compliance, and litigation.

Christopher H. Palmer, Managing Partner of Cullen and Dykman, stated that "Nicole's unparalleled expertise and commitment to addressing issues facing the education sector make her a tremendous asset to our esteemed Higher Education practice."

Nicole added, "I am honored to join Cullen and Dykman and their well-respected higher education practice group. I am eager to lend my experience and insight to the firm's clients and work with the excellent lawyers and staff at this well-regarded firm."

Nicole earned her J.D. from Rutgers Law School, graduating magna cum laude, and her B.A. from the University of Delaware, where she graduated cum laude. She is admitted to practice law in both New York and New Jersey.

**About Cullen and Dykman LLP**

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